

Norridge School District 80

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Inspiring Educational Excellence in a Nurturing Environment

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On June 21, 2019, the Norridge School District 80 Board of Education approved by a majority vote the appointment of Stephanie Palmer as Superintendent effective July 1, 2019. Ms. Palmer will also continue to serve as Principal of James Giles School. Serving as Assistant Superintendent/Principal for the past two years, Ms. Palmer understands the challenges District 80 is currently facing and is invested in working with the Board of Education to bring together all stakeholders to maximize the educational environment and potential of all district students.

“Over the course of the last two months, the Board of Education has had multiple meetings which have included in depth discussions from all members of the board. As a result of those discussions and input from the teachers’ association, Ms. Palmer emerged as the right fit for our district. Ms. Palmer is the kind of student-focused, curriculum-based leader that this district needs. Ms. Palmer will work closely with the board in being fiscally responsible by carefully operating within the district’s budget. The Board of Education looks forward to working with Ms. Palmer in addressing both the district’s immediate and future needs and goals,” states District 80 School Board President Sam Palazzo

In just two years in District 80, Ms. Palmer has worked with teachers and Principal Michele Guzik to adopt new science, language arts, and mathematics curriculum, and to implement standards-based grading. Furthermore, she has worked collaboratively with Ms. Guzik and Director of Special Education, Ms. Kim Hanson to establish a new special education services model. In this way, Ms. Palmer has demonstrated her devotion to providing the highest quality education to all District 80 students.

Ms. Palmer states, “I look forward to working with our board, staff, parents and community to strengthen the educational opportunities for all of our students while maintaining a balanced budget. I also look to build positive relationships with the other school districts and governing bodies that serve the Norridge and Harwood Heights communities.”

The next Norridge District 80 School Board meeting is July 16th at Leigh School at 7:00 PM.